**American Literature Vocabulary Unit 2B**

Define the following words AND write a sentence using each. The word should be used correctly.

1. Aegis (n):
2. Apprise (v):
3. Indigenous (adj):
4. Lexicon (n):
5. Melee (n):
6. Microcosm (n):
7. Minuscule (adj):
8. Polarize (v):
9. Purview (n):
10. Sanguine (adj):

**Synonyms: Pick 5 vocabulary words and write a synonym for each. Write both words down please.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Fill in the blank with the correct vocabulary word**

1. I am not given to undue optimism, but the preliminary results of the polls make me \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about the outcome of the election.
2. A hard-line speech may gain her the applause of her followers, but overall it will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sentiments throughout the country and impair national unity.
3. He came to realize that the inner city in which he had been raised was a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the sufferings of poor people all over the world.
4. The third period was marred by a bench-clearing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that left the hockey rink littered with discarded gloves and sticks.
5. A case of that type, which does not involve a Federal law or constitutional issue, does not come within the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Supreme Court.
6. Without expressing opinions, simply \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us as promptly as possible of the results of the conference.
7. Both sides let on that the negotiators were still miles apart, when in fact the distance that separated them was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
8. Only within recent years has a complete \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Latin language been complied.
9. Surprisingly, the white potato, which I have always associated with Ireland is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Americas.
10. When South Korea was invaded, the United States organized a collective defense effort under the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the United Nations.

**Antonyms: Choose the vocabulary word that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the italicized word or expression in the given phrase. Write the answer on the line.**

1. *Pessimistic* about the test results
2. Had a *monumental* effect on the crowd
3. *Imported* to the region
4. *Withheld information* from the town
5. *Unifying* the people with the debate

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_